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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

COMMITTEE ON DOCUMENTATION

Task Team VI - Research & Development

Minutes of Second Meeting, 2 November 1964

Members or Their Representatives Present

25X1A CIA -
DIA -
DEFENSE - Dr. Ruth M. Davis, Chairman
AIR FORCE - Lt. Col. Waldo E. Bertoni
25X1A CSS -

1. The meeting was opened by the Chairman, noting that although she had officially notified and sent copies of the minutes of the last meeting to NSA and Army CODIB representatives, members of these organizations were not present. In this connection, it was agreed that the secretary of this task force, a CSS representative, will make certain that all members are notified of the meeting dates in the future and will prepare the minutes of the meetings. The most current CSS records indicate that Army, Navy, and NSA have nominated members for this task force.

2. As a result of the submissions made by the various members to the chairman, an amended Terms of Reference was prepared, taking into account all comments that were made. The major change was a rewrite of paragraph I and the first part of paragraph II. After some discussion of the word "information" in the third line of paragraph II, it was changed to "data". An additional two sentences were added early in paragraph II, further indicating what intelligence data includes and a description of the media intelligence R&D will be concerned with. The amended Terms of Reference as approved by the group is attached to these minutes.

3. The group addressed itself to a discussion of the philosophy of R&D and the framework of the contributions to be made on this Task Team in accordance with the Terms of Reference. The discussion developed various methods by which to build such a framework. Three possible taxonomies identified were:

- a. Input, processing, output;
- b. Degree of automation;

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c. Or by subject-area/equipment.

It was agreed by the group that some such framework as one or a combination of the above was necessary.

4. During this discussion, the Air Force representative called to the attention of the group, "Project Forecast" dated January 1964 which recited in considerable detail the R&D plans of the Air Force. The chairman noted that an attempt had been made to obtain this document by DFR&E on behalf of CIA and that she was informed it was not releasable outside the Air Force. In view of the obvious relevance of this document to the Task Team's objective, the chairman requested the Air Force representative to try to make this document available, at least to the members of the Task Team. The Air Force representative also brought up the relationship of DIA, DFR&E and general DoD R&D activity as described in DIA Directives 65-1 and 65-4. Reference was also made by the Air Force representative to the DoD Intelligence Data Handling System Evaluation Plan dated 23 April 1964, as a second excellent source of information pertinent to this task force. At this point, the group agreed that in addition to the SCIPS report each member should be familiar with certain basic documents of interest in this field. To help accomplish this, it was agreed by the group and so requested by the chairman that each member would provide a contribution by next meeting to a bibliography to be prepared as part of the Task Team work.

5. The following schedule was agreed upon by the group:

a. Preparation of a framework within which the deficiencies as well as the state of the art and the existing R&D projects may be defined. A description as to the amount of time and resources that can be made available on the part of the members and their associates to fulfill the task outlined. Each member will submit a proposal using source data as the first cut at the framework definition by the next meeting.

b. After the framework has generally been agreed upon, a definition of the state of the art will be made. This will include the identification of the appropriate R&D projects.

c. An identification of the deficiencies both in terms of R&D projects as well as users needs will be made.

d. The time frame for the accomplishment of paragraphs b. and c. above will be determined by the facts developed by activities described in paragraph a. above.

6. The chairman noted that it would be desirable that for each member to devote several days each week, if possible, in the next few weeks to this project. After discussion, it was also agreed that it would be desirable to have the group meet with individuals or perhaps groups of experts in the field as time goes on to assist in the preparation of the report. As noted in the minutes of the last meeting, it was agreed that the final report should be submitted to CODIB by 15 April 1965. The

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possibility of intermediate reports was considered and they may be prepared if it is deemed desirable.

7. It was agreed that the next meeting will be held on 17 November 1964 at 1400 at CIA Headquarters. The secretary will arrange for the room and make certain that members are notified thereof. 25X1A

[Redacted Signature]

Acting Secretary

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